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 Plaintiff, )  
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 vs. )  
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 ABBOTT LABORATORIES, )  
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 Defendant. )

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**PLAINTIFF'S OPPOSITION TO ABBOTT  
 LABORATORIES' MOTION TO DISMISS  
 GSK'S SECOND AMENDED  
 COMPLAINT**

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## 1 I. INTRODUCTION

2 Defendant Abbott Laboratories (“Abbott”) has litigated this case (and several others  
3 arising from the very same underlying conduct) in this Court and Circuit for more than seven  
4 years, including a three-week trial and an appeal. Never once has Abbott objected to personal  
5 jurisdiction. Less than two months before the second trial, Abbott brings a Motion to Dismiss  
6 claiming Plaintiff GlaxoSmithKline’s (“GSK”) voluntary withdrawal of its federal antitrust claims  
7 deprives this Court of personal jurisdiction. Dkt. No. 633. The Motion should be denied.

8 First, Abbott has waived any objection to personal jurisdiction. It is well established that  
9 this Court’s exercise of pendent personal jurisdiction is discretionary, *Action Embroidery Corp. v.*  
10 *Atl. Embroidery, Inc.*, 368 F.3d 1174, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004), yet Abbott never objected to it. Abbott  
11 instead wrote that it “does not dispute ... that this Court has personal jurisdiction.” Dkt. No. 17.  
12 Abbott also repeatedly asked this Court to dismiss GSK’s federal antitrust claims and then try  
13 GSK’s state law claims on the merits.<sup>1</sup> *See, e.g.*, Dkt. No. 168, 574. But Abbott did not previously  
14 claim that such a posture would deprive the Court of jurisdiction.

15 Second, this Court has general personal jurisdiction over Abbott. Abbott has seven  
16 California facilities (more than in any other state), employs thousands of people in California, and  
17 has sold millions of prescriptions to California patients. March 25, 2015 Declaration of Moez M.  
18 Kaba (“Kaba Decl.”), Ex. 1 (Abbott Labs., Annual Report (Form 10-K) (Feb. 27, 2015)), Ex. 10  
19 (Abbott.com Career FAQs, <http://www.abbott.com/careers/faqs.html> (last visited March 25,  
20 2015)), Ex. 2 (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013,  
21 Redwood City, California), Ex. 3 (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Fiscal Year Ended  
22 June 30, 2013, City of Temecula, California). In other words, Abbott’s contacts with this state are  
23 “so continuous and systematic as to render [it] essentially at home” and subject to general personal  
24 jurisdiction here. *Mavrix Photo, Inc. v. Brand Techs., Inc.*, 647 F.3d 1218, 1223 (9th Cir. 2011);  
25 *see also Daimler AG v. Bauman*, 134 S. Ct. 746, 760 (2014); *Goodyear Dunlop Tires Operations,*  
26 *S.A. v. Brown*, 131 S. Ct. 2846, 2851 (2011).

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28 <sup>1</sup> Of course the Court has not dismissed GSK’s antitrust claims; instead, GSK voluntarily  
filed a second amended complaint without including the antitrust causes of action.

1 Third, this Court has specific personal jurisdiction over Abbott. Abbott “purposefully  
 2 availed” itself of doing business in, and purposefully directed its conduct to, California. By  
 3 entering into the Norvir License Agreement with GSK (which extended to California) and by  
 4 hiking the price of Norvir by 400% (including in California), Abbott was “carrying on a ‘part of  
 5 its general business’ in” California, the very activity that gives rise to this action. *Keeton*, 465 U.S.  
 6 at 779-80. Abbott even specifically targeted California doctors and patient groups in its sale of  
 7 Kaletra and in its public relations apology tour for the Norvir price hike, disrupting the launch of  
 8 Lexiva in California. Kaba Decl., Ex. 8 (Plaintiff’s Exhibit 284), Ex. 9 (Plaintiff’s Exhibit 296).  
 9 But for these California activities, GSK would have suffered considerably less harm. Abbott  
 10 cannot present any case—let alone a “compelling case,” as required—to show that exercising  
 11 jurisdiction under these circumstances would be unreasonable. To the contrary, continuing to  
 12 exercise jurisdiction after more than seven years of litigation is eminently reasonable.

13 Fourth, the Court should use its discretion to continue to exercise pendent personal  
 14 jurisdiction over Abbot in connection with GSK’s remaining claims given that “the parties have  
 15 already expended a great deal of time and energy on the state law claims.” *United States v.*  
 16 *Botefuhr*, 309 F.3d 1263, 1272-73 (10th Cir. 2002).

17 Finally, if the Court is not satisfied that GSK has made a sufficient jurisdictional showing,  
 18 GSK should be entitled to jurisdictional discovery to develop further facts about the extensive  
 19 scope of Abbott’s California activities.

## 20 **II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

### 21 **A. Abbott’s Extensive Operations in California.**

22 Abbott currently operates seven facilities in California—including four in this District—  
 23 more facilities than it operates in any other state. Kaba Decl., Ex. 1; *see also id.* Ex. 10 (“In the  
 24 U.S., we have a significant presence in California (Alameda, Milpitas, Redwood City, Santa Ana,  
 25 Santa Clara and Temecula) ...”). Abbott employs thousands in California. *Id.* Exs. 2, 3. Even  
 26 according to Abbott’s own securities filing, its research and development facilities are “primarily  
 27 located in California” and three other states. *Id.* Ex. 1. These California connections are long-  
 28 standing. Abbott first registered to do business in California more than a century ago, in 1905, and



1 remains registered today. *Id.* Ex. 4 (Registration of Abbott Laboratories with California Secretary  
 2 of State). Abbott has an agent for service of process in California, and GSK served its initial  
 3 complaint and summons on Abbott through that agent in California. Dkt. No. 6.

4 **B. Abbott Exploited the California Market in Pricing Norvir and Selling Kaletra.**

5 In addition to operating in California, Abbott's business depends on and exploits the  
 6 California HIV-drug market. California is home to nearly 15% of all Americans living with  
 7 HIV/AIDS, second only to New York. Kaba Decl., Ex. 5 (Centers for Disease Control and  
 8 Prevention, HIV Surveillance Report, Vol. 25 (February 2015)). California has nearly twice as  
 9 many residents living with HIV as Illinois and North Carolina *combined*. *Id.* Abbott admits that it  
 10 markets and sells its drugs, especially its HIV drugs, in California. Dkt. No. 197 at ¶ 6. Abbott's  
 11 HIV-drug sales in California have consistently made up a significant portion of its overall sales; [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]  
 13 [REDACTED] Kaba Decl., Ex. 6 (NOR00005031). According to industry data,  
 14 California is one the three largest state markets for Kaletra and Norvir, and California accounts for  
 15 a substantial portion of domestic Norvir and Kaletra sales. In 2014, Norvir and Kaletra were each  
 16 prescribed to thousands of California patients, resulting in tens of thousands of Norvir and Kaletra  
 17 pills prescribed, delivered, and taken in California.

18 Abbott's exploitation of the California HIV-drug market is the result of extensive  
 19 marketing, public relations, and sales operations targeting the State. The parties have not  
 20 conducted jurisdictional discovery, because Abbott never raised any jurisdictional objection. But  
 21 Abbott's internal documents show, for example, [REDACTED]  
 22 [REDACTED], *id.* Ex. 7 (NOR00090730), and Abbott launched a public relations blitz in  
 23 California designed to minimize backlash against the Norvir price increase, sell more Kaletra in  
 24 California, and disrupt the launch of Lexiva in California. *See, e.g., id.* Ex. 8, [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

26 [REDACTED]

27 [REDACTED]

28

1 [REDACTED]  
 2 [REDACTED]).

### 3 **III. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND**

4 This action has been pending for more than seven years. Abbott has also defended itself  
 5 against other cases brought in California arising out of the very conduct at issue here. *See John*  
 6 *Doe I v. Abbott Labs.*, 571 F.3d 930 (9th Cir. 2009). Abbott has not previously objected to this  
 7 Court's exercise of personal jurisdiction. Instead, Abbott previously asked this Court to decide  
 8 GSK's state law claims on their merits, *after dismissing the antitrust claims*. *See, e.g.*, Dkt. Nos.  
 9 168, 574 ("retrial should be limited to GSK's New York law claim for breach of the implied  
 10 covenant of good faith and fair dealing"). Abbott now has what it asked for: a trial on only the  
 11 remaining claims.

#### 12 **A. Abbott Consents to Personal Jurisdiction in This Court.**

13 Shortly after GSK served its first complaint on Abbott in California, the Court related this  
 14 case to the *Doe/SEIU* litigation (*John Doe I*, 571 F.3d 930), which featured a California resident  
 15 as lead plaintiff. Dkt. No. 7. In late 2007, Abbott explicitly consented to personal jurisdiction in a  
 16 joint case management statement: "Abbott, the sole defendant, does not dispute that it was  
 17 properly served or that this Court has personal jurisdiction." Dkt. No. 17.

18 In 2008, Abbott moved to transfer this matter to the Northern District of Illinois (Dkt. No.  
 19 19),<sup>2</sup> but the Court denied its motion, holding that "Illinois has no particular interest in this case  
 20 other than the generalized interest in ensuring that its citizens receive fair adjudications." Dkt. No.  
 21 67 at 24.

#### 22 **B. Abbott Repeatedly Asks This Court to Dismiss GSK's Antitrust Claims and** 23 **Resolve GSK's State Law Claims on the Merits.**

24 In 2009, Abbott stated in a joint case management statement that it would move to dismiss  
 25 GSK's antitrust claims in light of an appellate ruling in the related *Doe* action. Dkt. No. 168.

26  
 27 \_\_\_\_\_  
 28 <sup>2</sup> Abbott moved to transfer venue under 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), which allows transfer for the  
 convenience of the parties, and not under 28 U.S.C. § 1631, which allows transfer for want of  
 jurisdiction. Dkt. No. 19.

Abbott also noted that it had asked GSK to dismiss the antitrust claims—the very step Abbott now claims eradicates personal jurisdiction. Dkt. Nos. 168, 633. But Abbott did not raise any jurisdictional objection. *Id.* Abbott instead asked the Court to “address[] the merits” of GSK’s state law claims *after dismissing its antitrust claims*. Dkt. No. 168.<sup>3</sup>

In 2009, GSK filed its first amended complaint (Dkt. No. 170), and Abbott again moved to dismiss GSK’s claims under the Sherman Act and GSK’s claim under the UDTPA to the extent the claim relies on antitrust allegations. Dkt. No. 197. But Abbott did *not* move to dismiss the UDTPA claim altogether, nor did it move to dismiss GSK’s claim for breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Even though Abbott effectively asked the Court to litigate only the UDTPA and implied covenant claims, Abbott raised no objection to the Court’s exercise of personal jurisdiction over Abbott for the remaining claims. *Id.* The Court subsequently denied Abbott’s motion to dismiss the antitrust claims. Dkt. No. 195.

In 2011, the parties conducted a three-week trial, in which Abbott presented 15 witnesses. Again, Abbott raised no jurisdictional objection. The parties then cross-appealed to the Ninth Circuit. Abbott again failed to raise any jurisdictional issue.

After the case was remanded, Abbott filed a renewed JMOL on August 8, 2014, seeking to dismiss GSK’s Sherman Act and UDTPA causes of action and stating that “retrial should be limited to GSK’s New York law claim for breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.” Dkt. No. 574. Yet again, Abbott raised no jurisdictional objection to this Court retrying the claims, and did not allege that if the Court granted the JMOL, then it should also dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction. The Court denied the motion. Dkt. No. 591.

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<sup>3</sup> Later in 2009, when Abbott’s motion for summary judgment on the antitrust claims was coming due, Abbott moved for leave to file for summary judgment on the state law claims too. Dkt. No. 174. Abbott stated that dismissal of the antitrust claims “would leave only GSK’s implied covenant and UDTPA claims to be litigated.” Dkt. Nos. 174, 178. *Id.* But again, Abbott raised no claim that dismissing the antitrust claims would deprive this Court of personal jurisdiction. The Court denied the motion. Dkt. No. 179.

**C. After More Than Seven Years of Litigation, Abbott First Asserts Its Personal Jurisdiction Objection.**

On March 10, 2015, GSK filed a second amended complaint dismissing the Sherman Act claims, but continuing to assert the very claims that Abbott repeatedly asked the Court to resolve on the merits: the UDTPA claim and the breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Dkt. No. 632. Abbott now claims for the first time that this Court has no power to hear this case. Dkt. No. 633. The Motion should be denied.

**IV. ARGUMENT**

**A. ABBOTT WAIVED ITS OBJECTION TO PERSONAL JURISDICTION.**

Once “available,” a motion to dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction must be filed at the first opportunity or any objection to personal jurisdiction is waived. Fed. R. Civ. P 12(g), (h)(1); *see Smith v. Idaho*, 392 F.3d 350, 355 (9th Cir. 2004) (observing “longstanding rule that personal jurisdiction, in the traditional sense, can be waived” if not raised). Abbott claims it did not previously object to personal jurisdiction because it was subject to the common law doctrine of pendent personal jurisdiction. Dkt. No. 633 at 3. It is well established that pendent personal jurisdiction is not mandatory, but “is committed to the sound discretion of the district court.” *CE Distrib., LLC v. New Sensor Corp.*, 380 F.3d 1107, 1113 (9th Cir. 2004); *Action Embroidery Corp. v. Atl. Embroidery, Inc.*, 368 F.3d 1174, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (“[T]he actual exercise of personal pendent jurisdiction in a particular case is within the discretion of the district court.”).

Abbott therefore could have argued many years ago (as it does now) that this Court lacked pendent personal jurisdiction over GSK’s state law claims. But it never did. Abbott instead stated that it “does not dispute that . . . this Court has personal jurisdiction.” Dkt. No. 17, at 2. It then litigated this case through trial and appeal, without ever raising a personal jurisdiction objection (to the pendent claims) with any Court. In other words, Abbott manifestly consented to this Court’s authority to adjudicate this suit. *Cf. In re Kieslich*, 258 F.3d 968, 970 (9th Cir. 2001) (“We have held that a party waives any objection to the district court’s exercise of its discretion to retain jurisdiction over such supplemental claims when the party fails to raise its objection at the trial

level.”); *Doe by Fein v. District of Columbia*, 93 F.3d 861, 871 (D.C. Cir. 1996) (“The discretionary aspect to supplemental jurisdiction is waivable.”).

Moreover, Abbott has not merely failed to object to this Court’s jurisdiction, it has actively urged the Court to dismiss GSK’s federal antitrust claims and *then* “address[ ] the merits” of the remaining state law claims. Dkt. No. 168 (requesting “an early summary judgment motion” to “address[ ] the merits” of remaining state law claims); *see also* Dkt. No. 574 (requesting JMOL on GSK’s federal claims and UDTPA claims and a trial *only* on GSK’s breach of implied covenant claim). Abbott has therefore waived any objection to personal jurisdiction.

#### **B. THIS COURT HAS PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER ABBOTT**

This Court may exercise personal jurisdiction over a non-resident defendant so long as the defendant “ha[s] certain minimum contacts with [the forum] such that the maintenance of the suit does not offend ‘traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.’” *Int’l Shoe Co. v. Washington*, 326 U.S. 310, 316 (1945). “Although the burden is on the plaintiff to show that the court has jurisdiction over the defendant, ... the plaintiff need only make a ‘prima facie showing of jurisdictional facts to withstand the motion to dismiss.’” *Washington Shoe Co. v. A-Z Sporting Goods Inc.*, 704 F.3d 668, 671-72 (9th Cir. 2012) (quoting *Pebble Beach Co. v. Caddy*, 453 F.3d 1151, 1154 (9th Cir. 2006) (internal quotation marks omitted). Additionally, the court resolves all disputed facts in favor of the plaintiff. *Id.*

Personal jurisdiction may be either general or specific. *Panavision Int’l, L.P. v. Toeppen*, 141 F.3d 1316, 1320 (9th Cir. 1998). General jurisdiction exists when the defendant maintains “continuous and systematic” contacts with the forum state, even if the cause of action is unrelated to those contacts. *Helicopteros Nacionales de Colombia, S.A. v. Hall*, 466 U.S. 408, 415-16 (1984). Specific jurisdiction exists where the defendant has “purposefully directed his activities at residents of the forum, and the litigation results from alleged injuries that ‘arise out of or relate to’ those activities.” *Burger King Corp.*, 471 U.S. at 472. Abbott is subject both to general and specific jurisdiction here.

1. Abbott Is Subject to General Personal Jurisdiction in California.

A corporation is subject to general jurisdiction wherever the corporation's "affiliations with the State are so continuous and systematic as to render [the corporation] essentially at home in the forum State." *Mavrix Photo, Inc. v. Brand Techs., Inc.*, 647 F.3d 1218, 1223 (9th Cir. 2011) (quoting *Goodyear Dunlop Tires Operations, S.A. v. Brown*, 131 S. Ct. 2846, 2851 (2011)) (internal quotation marks omitted). A corporation is "essentially at home" in, at the very least, its formal place of incorporation and its principal place of business. *Daimler AG v. Bauman*, 134 S. Ct. 746, 760 (2014). But contrary to Abbott's argument, a corporation may be "essentially at home" in other states too. *Id.* at 760 (*Goodyear* "did not hold that a corporation may be subject to general jurisdiction *only* in a forum where it is incorporated or has its principal place of business," (emphasis in original)).

To determine whether a corporation is "essentially at home" in a state, the court evaluates the defendant's state contacts, such as whether it has "offices or staff," is "registered to do business," has designated a "registered agent for service of process," or pays "state taxes." *Mavrix Photo*, 647 F.3d at 1225; *accord. Gator.com v. L.L. Bean, Inc.*, 341 F.3d 1072, 1077 (9th Cir. 2003) ("We . . . focus upon the economic reality of the defendants' activities rather than a mechanical checklist." (internal quotation marks omitted)); *see Martinez v. Aero Caribbean*, 764 F.3d 1062, 1070 (9th Cir. 2014) (evaluating whether defendant had "offices, staff, or other physical presence in California," or was "licensed to do business in the state.")). The Court then compares these state contacts to the defendant's contacts with other states and countries to make sure the defendant will not become subject to general jurisdiction everywhere it conducts business. *Daimler AG v. Bauman*, 134 S. Ct. at 761.

Abbott's California presence and activity is extensive, showing that it is "essentially at home" here. Abbott has seven facilities in California, *the most of any state*. Kaba Decl., Ex. 1. Four of these facilities are in this District. SAC ¶ 6; Answer to FAC ¶ 6. Abbott is registered to do business and has a registered agent for service of process in California. *See Mavrix Photo*, 647 F.3d at 1225; Answer to FAC ¶ 10. Abbott also employs thousands of people in California. Kaba Decl., Exs. 2, 3; *see Gator.com Corp.*, 341 F.3d at 1077 (though neither incorporated, licensed,

1 nor based in California, defendant L.L. Bean was subject to general jurisdiction in California,  
 2 where it obtained 6% of revenue, sold millions of dollars in merchandise, solicited residents  
 3 directly through the mail, and operated a “highly interactive” website in the State). Abbott is also a  
 4 frequent litigant in California court. A recent PACER search shows that Abbott is currently  
 5 litigating several other cases in California federal court, and has previously litigated dozens more.  
 6 *See, e.g., Otto v. Abbott Labs.*, 12-cv-01411-SVW-DTB (C.D. Cal., filed Aug. 22, 2012); *Laska v.*  
 7 *Abbott Severance Pay Plan for Employees of Kos Pharmaceutical, et al.*, 13-cv-04417-MWF-  
 8 AGR (C.D. Cal., filed June 19, 2013); *Cepheid, Inc. et al v. Abbott Labs.*, 14-cv-05652-EJD (N.D.  
 9 Cal., filed Dec. 30, 2014); *Shanks v. Abbott Labs. et al.*, 15-cv-01151-NC (N.D. Cal., filed March  
 10 11, 2015).

11 It is clear that California is integral to Abbott’s business. In other words, even if general  
 12 jurisdiction extends beyond headquarters and place of incorporation only in “the exceptional  
 13 case,” this is the exceptional case. *Daimler*, 134 S. Ct. at 761.

14 Abbott’s California contacts are unlike the attenuated contacts between the defendants and  
 15 respective forum states in *Daimler*, 134 S. Ct. at 760, and *Goodyear*, 131 S. Ct. at 2851. Dkt. No.  
 16 633 at 5-6. The defendants in those cases (DaimlerChrysler Aktiengesellschaft, a German public  
 17 stock company, and Goodyear Luxembourg Tires, SA, Goodyear Lastikleri T.A.S., and Goodyear  
 18 Dunlop Tires France, SA) were international corporations, headquartered and doing business  
 19 abroad. The events giving rise to each of those suits occurred overseas, and the defendants had no  
 20 connection to the forum states except through their respective parent or subsidiary corporations.<sup>4</sup>  
 21 *See also Mavrix Photo*, 647 F.3d at 1225 (defendant had no offices or business in California, but  
 22 merely operated a website that allowed “third parties to advertise jobs, hotels, and vacations in  
 23 California”). Abbott, by contrast, is a U.S. company that appears to have more facilities and sell  
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25 <sup>4</sup> Abbott misstates the facts by stating that the “defendant in *Daimler* had ‘considerable  
 26 contacts with California,’” including a regional headquarters, multiple facilities, and workforce in  
 27 California. Dkt. No. 633 at 6. Those were the contacts of Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA), a  
 28 subsidiary of Daimler that was not a defendant in the case. *Daimler*, 134 S. Ct at 758 n.12.  
 Although MBUSA is incorporated in Delaware and headquartered in New Jersey, the Supreme  
 Court assumed “that MBUSA qualifies at home in California” based on its large presence in the  
 State. *Id.* at 758.



1 more pharmaceuticals in California than anywhere else in the United States. *See* Kaba Decl.,  
 2 Ex. 1.

3 Abbott nevertheless argues that the Northern District of Illinois—where Abbott is  
 4 incorporated and headquartered—is its one and only forum for all-purpose jurisdiction. Dkt. No.  
 5 633 at 6. The Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit have rejected such formalism. *Daimler*, 134 S. Ct.  
 6 at 760. Even after *Goodyear*, the Northern District of Illinois has found that Abbott is subject to  
 7 general jurisdiction outside the Northern District:

8 In contrast to the foreign subsidiaries in *Goodyear*, Abbott has 46 employees who  
 9 sell and market Abbott’s products directly in the Southern District. . . . By  
 10 soliciting business, selling and marketing products, and employing a sales team in  
 11 the Southern District, Abbott could reasonably anticipate being haled into the  
 12 District. Therefore, Abbott is subject to ***general personal jurisdiction*** in the  
 13 Southern District of Illinois.

14 *J.B. ex rel. Benjamin v. Abbott Laboratories Inc.*, No. 12-cv-385, 2013 WL 452807, at \*3 (N.D.  
 15 Ill. 2013). Compared to its contacts with the Southern District of Illinois, Abbott’s California  
 16 contacts are even more systematic and substantial. The same analysis applies.

17 Abbott’s argument that general jurisdiction in California would be “unacceptably  
 18 grasping” or “exorbitant” is without merit. Dkt. 633 at 5. GSK does not claim that Abbott is  
 19 subject to general jurisdiction anywhere it has sizeable sales or even a physical presence. But  
 20 Abbott’s presence in California appears to be as large or larger than Abbott’s presence in any other  
 21 state; it operates more facilities than in any other state and employs thousands of people. Under  
 22 *Daimler*’s comparative analysis, Abbott is “essentially at home” in California. *Daimler*, 134 S. Ct.  
 23 at 761.

## 24 2. Abbott Is Subject to Specific Personal Jurisdiction in California.

25 The Court may also exercise specific jurisdiction “based on the relationship between the  
 26 defendant’s forum contacts and the plaintiff’s claim.” *Yahoo! Inc. v. La Ligue Contre Le Racisme*  
 27 *Et L’Antisemitisme*, 433 F.3d 1199, 1205 (9th Cir. 2006) (en banc). Specific jurisdiction may be  
 28 appropriate “even if those contacts [with the forum state] are isolated and sporadic.” *Google Inc. v.*  
*Rockstar Consortium U.S. LP*, No. C 13-5933 CW, 2014 WL 1571807, at \*6 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 17,  
 2014) (Wilken, J.). To analyze specific jurisdiction, the Court uses a three-prong test: “(1)



purposeful availment and direction; (2) forum-related conduct; and (3) reasonableness.” *Menken v. Emm*, 503 F.3d 1050, 1057 (9th Cir. 2007); *Yahoo! Inc.*, 433 F.3d at 1205-06. Each of the three prongs is satisfied here.

*a. Abbott Purposefully Availed Itself of California and Purposefully Directed Its Activities to California*

A plaintiff satisfies the first prong by showing “that the defendant either purposefully availed itself of the privilege of conducting activities in the forum, or purposefully directed its activities at the forum,” thus invoking the benefits and protections of the forum state’s laws. *Washington Shoe Co. v. A-Z Sporting Goods Inc.*, 704 F.3d 668, 672 (9th Cir. 2012). Although “purposefully availed” and “purposefully directed” are sometimes used “in shorthand fashion as a single concept, they are, in fact, two distinct concepts.” *Washington Shoe Co. v. A-Z Sporting Goods Inc.*, 704 F.3d 668, 672 (9th Cir. 2012) (internal quotations omitted). The purposeful availment test is typically used in cases sounding in contract, while the purposeful direction test is typically used in cases sounding in tort. *Schwarzenegger v. Fred Martin Motor Co.*, 374 F.3d 797, 802 (9th Cir. 2004). GSK’s implied covenant claim sounds in contract and its UDTPA claim sounds in tort. *See Thompson v. StreetSmarts, Inc.*, No. CV-10-1885-PHX-LOA, 2011 WL 2600744, at \*6 (D. Ariz. June 30, 2011) (finding specific jurisdiction for implied covenant claim under purposeful availment test); *Hawaii Island Air, Inc. v. Merlot Aero Ltd.*, No. CIV. 14-00466 BMK, 2015 WL 675512, at \*4, n.2, 10 (D. Haw. Jan. 30, 2015) (finding specific jurisdiction for Hawaii UDTPA under purposeful direction test). Under either test, Abbott is subject to personal jurisdiction.

(1) Abbott purposefully availed itself of doing business in California.

Requiring purposeful availment “ensures that a defendant will not be haled into a jurisdiction solely as a result of random, fortuitous, or attenuated contacts, or of the unilateral activity of another party or a third person.” *Burger King Corp. v. Rudzewicz*, 471 U.S. 462, 475 (1985) (internal quotations omitted). A defendant therefore purposefully avails itself of a forum when it “perform[s] some type of affirmative conduct which allows or promotes the transaction of

1 business within the forum state.” *Sinatra v. Nat’l Enquirer, Inc.*, 854 F.2d 1191, 1195 (9th Cir.  
 2 1988). “For example, the solicitation of business in the forum state that results in business being  
 3 transacted ... will probably be considered purposeful availment.” *Sinatra v. Nat’l Enquirer, Inc.*,  
 4 854 F.2d 1191, 1195 (9th Cir. 1988). Likewise, “activities such as delivering goods” will generally  
 5 establish purposeful availment. *Yahoo! Inc.*, 433 F.3d at 1206.

6 There can be no doubt that Abbott performed “affirmative conduct which allows or  
 7 promotes the transaction of business within” California, given Abbott’s seven facilities and  
 8 thousands of employees in California. Kaba Decl., Exs. 1, 2, 3. In particular, California is one of  
 9 the three largest markets for Kaletra and Norvir. Abbott also employs a California sales forces, has  
 10 held conferences in California, and has contacted California doctors in order to sell such products  
 11 in California. *See, e.g., id.* Exs. 8, 9.

12 Abbott alleges that it cannot have purposefully availed itself, because GSK is not a  
 13 California corporation, and GSK and Abbott did not negotiate the Norvir License Agreement in  
 14 California. Dkt. 633 at 8. The Ninth Circuit rejects such formalism, and instead looks to the  
 15 “economic reality” of a contract. *Haisten v. Grass Valley Med. Reimbursement Fund, Ltd.*, 784  
 16 F.2d 1392, 1398 (9th Cir. 1986) (“the technicalities of the execution of the contract and the  
 17 contractual provision that the contract was made in New York ... cannot change the business  
 18 realities of the transaction” (quoting *Southern Machine Company v. Mohasco Industries, Inc.*, 401  
 19 F.2d 374, 382 (6th Cir. 1968))).<sup>5</sup>

20 The court does not consider merely where a contract is negotiated, nor the citizenship of  
 21 parties to the contract, but also contemplates the “*future consequences* of the contract.” *Roth v.*  
 22 *Garcia Marquez*, 942 F.2d 617, 622 (9th Cir. 1991) (emphasis added); *Corporate Inv. Business*  
 23 *Brokers v. Melcher*, 824 F.2d 786, 789 (9th Cir. 1987) (*Burger King* “insisted that past and future  
 24 consequences of the contractual arrangement involving a resident of the forum state be

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25 <sup>5</sup> As the case Abbott relies upon demonstrates, it is not dispositive that the Norvir License  
 26 Agreement does not include a California choice-of-law provision. *See LocusPoint Networks, LLC*  
 27 *v. D.T.V., LLC*, No. 3:14-CV-01278-JSC, 2014 WL 3836792, at \*7 (N.D. Cal. Aug. 1, 2014)  
 28 (defendant who entered into contract governed by Delaware law subject to specific jurisdiction in California).

evaluated.”). In *Decker Coal Co. v. Commonwealth Edison Co.*, 805 F.2d 834, 840 (9th Cir. 1986), for instance, an Illinois corporation was subject to specific jurisdiction in Montana regarding a contract negotiated in Nebraska by parties incorporated in Delaware and Oregon, simply because the contract contemplated delivery of goods in Montana. *See also Roth v. Garcia Marquez*, 942 F.2d 617, 621 (9th Cir. 1991) (foreign defendants who negotiated film rights contract overseas for film to be shot in Brazil were subject to specific jurisdiction in California where production work, editing, and marketing would be performed in Los Angeles).

Here, the parties necessarily understood that GSK would market and sell Lexiva boosted with Norvir in California. The parties knew that California is the second-largest market for HIV drugs, and that GSK planned to sell Lexiva boosted with Norvir in California. Kaba Decl., Ex. 5. In other words, by entering into this agreement, Abbott “committed itself to ongoing obligations, including cooperation,” in California. *LocusPoint Networks*, 2014 WL 3836792, at \*6.

These forum state contacts are starkly unlike those in the unpublished, out-of-jurisdiction cases that Abbott relies upon. *See Gullette v. Lancaster & Chester Co.*, No. 3:14-CV-00537-HZ, 2014 WL 3695515, at \*2 (D. Or. July 23, 2014) (South Carolina defendant’s only Oregon contact was sending mail order catalog and contract to Oregon plaintiff, and all work contemplated by the contract was to be performed in South Carolina by people who lived in or near South Carolina); *Woodco Dynamic, LLC v. Venetian Investments, LLC*, No. 2:10-CV-00035 JWS, 2010 WL 1813788, at \*2 (D. Ariz. May 5, 2010) (Maryland defendant had no connection to Arizona other than fact that buyer of property in Florida happened to be Arizona company). In those cases, the defendant’s faint connection to the forum state was by “random, fortuitous, or attenuated contacts.” *Burger King Corp.*, 471 U.S. at 475 (internal quotation marks omitted). Here, by contrast, Abbott has extensive and permanent facilities in California, and the parties expected the Norvir Licensing Agreement to be performed, at least in part, in California, one of the country’s two largest HIV-drug markets.

(2) Abbott purposefully directed its conduct to California.

Abbott also purposefully directed its conduct to California. Under the purposeful effects test, Abbott purposefully directed its conduct to this forum, if it “(1) committed an intentional act,

(2) expressly aimed at the forum state, (3) causing harm that [it] knows is likely to be suffered in the forum state.” *Yahoo! Inc.*, 433 F.3d at 1206.

In *Washington Shoe*, 704 F.3d 668, an Arkansas shoe seller committed an intentional act expressly aimed at Washington State and knew harm would occur there when it imported from China and sold knockoff shoes in Arkansas that infringed on copyrights belonging to a Washington resident. In *Bancroft & Masters, Inc. v. Augusta Nat. Inc.*, 223 F.3d 1082, 1089 (9th Cir. 2000), a Georgia corporation expressly aimed its conduct at California and knew harm would occur merely by sending a single cease-and-desist letter to a California resident and by initiating an administrative dispute resolution process against the California resident in Virginia.

Abbott’s forum-directed conduct was even more extensive than that in *Washington Shoe* or *Bancroft*. Abbott admits that it regularly sells and markets its pharmaceutical products—including both Norvir and Kaletra—in California. Dkt. 197 at ¶ 6. Rather than merely selling a shoe that infringed on a copyright held in the forum state, or sending a single letter to the forum state, Abbott has extensive facilities and employees in California.

Abbott contends that it did not expressly aim its conduct at California, because it caused GSK to lose sales not only in California, but “throughout the entire United States and elsewhere.” Dkt. 633 at 10. This argument fails. The Ninth Circuit has held that a plaintiff need not show that the “brunt” of the harm occurred in the forum state. *Yahoo! Inc.*, 433 F.3d at 1207. As long as a “jurisdictionally sufficient amount of harm is suffered in the forum state, it does not matter that even more harm might have been suffered in another state.” *Id.* For specific jurisdiction (unlike general jurisdiction), it makes no difference if the defendant might also be subject to jurisdiction in other forums; a defendant that causes harm in many forum states is subject to jurisdiction arising from that harm. *Id.*

In *Keeton v. Hustler Magazine, Inc.*, 465 U.S. 770, 774 (1984), a New York plaintiff sued a California-based magazine for libel in New Hampshire. Even though the plaintiff had virtually no connection to New Hampshire, and even though it was “undoubtedly true that the bulk of the harm done to [plaintiff] occurred outside New Hampshire,” the defendant magazine was nevertheless subject to specific jurisdiction in New Hampshire because a small proportion of its

1 national circulation went to New Hampshire. *Id.* at 778. As the Court explained, the magazine was  
 2 “carrying on a ‘part of its general business’ in New Hampshire, and that is sufficient to support  
 3 jurisdiction when the cause of action arises out of the very activity being conducted, in part, in  
 4 New Hampshire.” *Id.* at 779-80.

5 In entering into the Norvir License Agreement (which extended to California) and in  
 6 hiking the price of Norvir by 400% (including in California), Abbott was “carrying on a ‘part of  
 7 its general business’ in” California. *Keeton*, 465 U.S. at 779-80. That is the very activity that gives  
 8 rise to this action. The harm Abbott caused GSK in California is much more extensive than was  
 9 the New Hampshire damage caused in *Keeton*. It make no jurisdictional difference that GSK was  
 10 also substantially harmed in North Carolina or in any other state. *See* Dkt. 633 at 9; *Yahoo! Inc.*,  
 11 433 F.3d at 1207 (as long as a “jurisdictionally sufficient amount of harm is suffered in the forum  
 12 state, it does not matter that even more harm might have been suffered in another state”).

13 Abbott next contends that this Court cannot exercise personal jurisdiction because GSK is  
 14 not based or incorporated in California, but the caselaw makes clear that GSK’s place of  
 15 incorporation is not significant. *See Keeton*, 465 U.S. at 780 (1984) (“[P]laintiff’s residence in the  
 16 forum State is not a separate requirement, and lack of residence will not defeat jurisdiction  
 17 established on the basis of defendant’s contacts.”); *see also Tatung Co. v. Shu Tze Hsu*, No. SACV  
 18 13-1743-DOC ANX, 2014 WL 4306561 (C.D. Cal. Sept. 2, 2014) (“[I]t is not necessary that the  
 19 victim be a California resident . . .”). In *Mavrix Photo*, 647 F.3d at 1229, a Florida celebrity  
 20 photo agency alleged that an Ohio website had infringed its photo copyrights. Although the photos  
 21 were taken overseas, and although the “passive website” reached a “national audience,” the  
 22 website was nevertheless found to have purposefully directed its conduct to California. “Based on  
 23 the website’s subject matter [celebrity culture], as well as the size and commercial value of the  
 24 California market,” the Court concluded that the defendant “anticipated, desired, and achieved a  
 25 substantial California viewer base,” and had therefore “continuously and deliberately exploited the  
 26 California market for its own commercial gain.” *Id.* at 1230.

27 Abbott’s exploitation of the California market is indistinguishable from the exploitation in  
 28 *Mavrix*. GSK alleges that, among other things, Abbott increased Norvir’s price by 400 percent in

1 order to disrupt Lexiva’s launch and undermine Lexiva’s future sales, including in California, the  
 2 nation’s second largest HIV-drug market. As in *Mavrix*, the Court can conclude “[b]ased on the ...  
 3 subject matter [HIV drugs], as well as the size and commercial value of the California market”  
 4 that Abbott “anticipated, desired, and achieved a substantial California [customer] base.” *Id.* at  
 5 1230. It is also clear from Abbott’s internal documents that it expressly aimed its Norvir re-pricing  
 6 strategy at California, and specifically knew that Norvir re-pricing was likely to cause harm in  
 7 California. *See, e.g.*, Kaba Decl. Ex. 9, [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]  
 9 [REDACTED] *id.*  
 10 Ex. 8, [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]. Soon after the  
 12 Norvir price hike, Abbott launched a public relations blitz in California in order to minimize  
 13 patient and doctor backlash, sell more Kaletra, and disrupt the launch of Lexiva. *See, e.g., id.* [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED]  
 15 [REDACTED]  
 16 [REDACTED]  
 17 [REDACTED]  
 18 [REDACTED].  
 19 Abbott knew that re-pricing would injure patients and providers in California, and that  
 20 Norvir re-pricing would injure GSK’s market share in California. In other words, GSK does not  
 21 allege “untargeted negligence,” but rather acts that were “performed for the very purpose of  
 22 having their consequences felt in the forum state.” *Brainerd v. Governors of the Univ. of Alberta*,  
 23 873 F.2d 1257, 1259-60 (9th Cir. 1989) (finding specific jurisdiction in Arizona over Canadian  
 24 defendants who had made allegedly defamatory statements in response to telephone calls they  
 25 received from Canada); *see also Dole Food Co. v. Watts*, 303 F.3d 1104, 1112 (9th Cir. 2002).

26 Finally, contrary to Abbott’s suggestion, GSK need not invoke any “stream of commerce”  
 27 theory. Dkt. No 633 at 10. Abbott did not merely “deliver its products into the stream of  
 28 commerce with the expectation that they will be purchased by consumers in the forum State,”

1 *World-Wide Volkswagen Corp. v. Woodson*, 444 U.S. 286, 298 (1980), nor were its products  
 2 merely “swept” into California. *See Asahi Metal Indus. Co. v. Super. Ct. of Cal., Solano City*, 480  
 3 U.S. 102, 111-12 (1987). Rather, Abbott targeted California physicians and patients for Kaletra  
 4 and Norvir, and unlawfully undermined GSK’s ability to compete for these physicians and  
 5 patients. Unlike the “stream of commerce” defendants, who neither reside nor sell directly to the  
 6 forum state, *see Asahi Metal Indus. Co.*, 480 U.S. at 111-12, Abbott both resides in California  
 7 (with more than seven facilities in the State) and markets and transacts its business within  
 8 California. *See* Dkt. No. 197 at ¶ 6. Abbott thus targeted its Norvir re-pricing and its deceptive  
 9 conduct to California.

10 *b. Abbott Engaged in Extensive Forum-Related Conduct.*

11 Under the second prong of the specific jurisdiction test, the Court considers whether this  
 12 lawsuit “arises out of” Abbott’s purposeful activities in California. *Fireman’s Fund Ins. Co. v.*  
 13 *Nat’l Bank of Cooperatives*, 103 F.3d 888, 894 (9th Cir. 1996). “[A] lawsuit arises out of a  
 14 defendant’s contacts with the forum state if a direct nexus exists between those contacts and the  
 15 cause of action.” *Fireman’s Fund Ins. Co.*, 103 F.3d at 894; *In re W. States Wholesale Natural*  
 16 *Gas Antitrust Litig.*, 715 F.3d 716, 742 (9th Cir. 2013).

17 There is a direct nexus between Abbott’s California contacts and this action. GSK alleges  
 18 that Abbott increased Norvir’s price by 400 percent in order to disrupt Lexiva’s launch and  
 19 undermine Lexiva’s future sales, including in California, the nation’s second-largest HIV-drug  
 20 market. But for Abbott’s Norvir price hike and public relations strategy in California, Abbott  
 21 would not have sold so much Kaletra and GSK would not have sold so little Lexiva. Thus, but for  
 22 Abbott’s purposeful California activities, GSK’s claims and damages would be much smaller. *In*  
 23 *re W. States Wholesale Natural Gas Antitrust Litig.*, No. 2:03-CV-01431-PMP, 2010 WL  
 24 4386950, at \*3 (D. Nev. Oct. 29, 2010) (“but for” test is satisfied unless “Plaintiffs’ claims ...  
 25 action would be *precisely the same in both character and scope*” without forum-related activities  
 26 (emphasis added)).

27 Abbott nevertheless argues that GSK’s claims do not arise out of the California activities,  
 28 because Abbott’s activities also harmed GSK in other states. Dkt. No. 633 at 16. Again, this



argument fails. *Yahoo! Inc.*, 433 F.3d at 1207 (“[I]t does not matter that even more harm might have been suffered in another state.”); *Keeton*, 465 U.S. at 779-80 (libel lawsuit arose out of New Hampshire magazine circulation even though it was “undoubtedly true that the bulk of the harm done to [plaintiff] occurred outside New Hampshire”); *see also Panavision*, 141 F.3d at 1322 (but-for test satisfied where defendant’s registration of plaintiff’s trademarks as domain names “had the effect of injuring [defendant] in California,” even though it injured defendant in every other state too). Even relying on unpublished, out-of-jurisdiction cases, Abbott cannot find support in any analogous case. Dkt. No. 633 at 12-13; *Hammons v. Alcan Aluminum Corp.*, No. SA CV 96-319-LHM, 1996 WL 397455, at \*2 (C.D. Cal. May 31, 1996) (defendant was “not registered to do business in California; maintains no offices, records, telephone directory listing, or mailing address in California; does not own property in California; does not file tax returns in California; and has not designated an agent for service of process in California”).

*c. Personal Jurisdiction Over Abbott Is Reasonable.*

Once the first two specific jurisdiction prongs are satisfied (as they are here), the burden passes to the defendant to present a “‘compelling case’ that the exercise of jurisdiction would not be reasonable.” *CollegeSource, Inc. v. AcademyOne, Inc.*, 653 F.3d 1066, 1076 (9th Cir. 2011) (quoting *Burger King Corp.*, 471 U.S. at 476-78). To determine whether jurisdiction is reasonable, the court considers seven factors: “(1) the extent of the defendants’ purposeful injection into the forum state’s affairs; (2) the burden on the defendant of defending in the forum; (3) the extent of the conflict with the sovereignty of the defendant’s state; (4) the forum state’s interest in adjudicating the dispute; (5) the most efficient judicial resolution of the controversy; (6) the importance of the forum to the plaintiff’s interest in convenient and effective relief; and (7) the existence of an alternative forum.” *CollegeSource*, 653 F.3d at 1079.

Continuing to exercise personal jurisdiction over Abbott after more than seven years of litigation in this Court is of course “reasonable.” Each of the seven factors weighs heavily in favor of reasonableness. Abbott therefore does not even attempt to address factors 1, 2, 3, or 6, let alone present a “compelling case.” Dkt. No. 633 at 14.



(1) Abbott's "purposeful injection" into California is extensive.

For the reasons set forth above, Abbott's "purposeful injection" is extensive. Abbott has a substantial presence in California and operates several offices in this state; Abbott sells a large proportion of its products (including HIV drugs) into California; Abbott's re-pricing applied to Norvir sales in California; Abbott maintained Kaletra's price in California; and Abbott targeted Kaletra to California HIV patients and doctors. *See CollegeSource*, 653 F.3d at 1080 ("solicit[ing] California business by phone, email, and in-person marketing" constituted purposeful injection).

(2) Litigating in this forum is not overly burdensome to Abbott.

Abbott has not presented any showing that litigating in this Court would cause any burden. The Court previously rejected Abbott's motion to transfer venue, Dkt. No. 82, and Abbott has already litigated a three-week trial in this Court, and has highly competent California counsel. *See CollegeSource*, 653 F.3d at 1080 (finding burden minimal where defendant's "counsel was able to participate in oral argument on appeal before this court via videoconference"); *cf. Sinatra v. Nat'l Enquirer, Inc.*, 854 F.2d 1191, 1199 (9th Cir.1988) ("[M]odern advances in communications and transportation have significantly reduced the burden of litigating in another" jurisdiction). Given that GSK has voluntarily dropped claims in order to streamline its case and shorten trial, the second trial imposes even less burden on Abbott than did the first.

(3) Abbott does not identify any conflict with the sovereignty of another state.

Abbott does not point to any potential conflict between this action and the sovereignty of any other state, and no such conflict exists. Dkt. No. 633 at 14.

(4) California has a great interest in resolving this dispute.

Contrary to Abbott's argument, the Court has already held that California has a significant interest in resolving this dispute, in part because of the size of its HIV population and Abbott's extensive contacts with the State. Dkt. No. 82. The Court further held that "Illinois has no particular interest in this case other than the generalized interest in ensuring that its citizens receive fair adjudications." *Id.* at 24.

(5) This forum provides the most efficient judicial resolution of this controversy.

The parties, this Court, and the Ninth Circuit have already expended substantial financial and judicial resources on this case, including a trial and an appeal. The second trial is now less than six weeks away. To start over in a new jurisdiction would be a tremendous waste of resources. Abbott's argument that bringing witnesses to this forum will be inefficient is disingenuous. Dkt. No. 633 at 14. Several of Abbott's key witnesses, including Heather Mason and experts Dr. Hay and Dr. Gilbert, live in California. *See Dole Food*, 303 F.3d at 1116 ("There are some witnesses in Europe and some in California, so neither forum has a clear efficiency advantage with respect to witnesses."). Other of Abbott's witnesses attended the first trial without incident.

(6) This forum is essential to GSK's interest in convenient and effective relief.

GSK has invested significant financial resources over more than seven years in obtaining relief in this jurisdiction. Abbott seeks to dismiss for the very purpose of thwarting GSK's convenient and effective relief. Failing to exercise jurisdiction would do just that.

(7) Alternative forums would not be reasonable.

"Whether another reasonable forum exists becomes an issue only when the forum state is shown to be unreasonable." *CollegeSource*, 653 F.3d at 1080. It is not unreasonable to try this case in this forum, as Abbott has tried this and many other cases here. Moreover, it would not be reasonable to restart this litigation in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, or Illinois.

Each of these factors therefore weighs in favor of reasonableness, and Abbott fails to make any showing that personal jurisdiction would be unreasonable.

### 3. The Court Should Exercise Its Discretion to Continue to Exercise Pendent Personal Jurisdiction Over GSK's State Law Claims.

Finally, even if Abbott were not otherwise subject to general or specific jurisdiction (it is), the Court may and should continue to exercise pendent personal jurisdiction, even though GSK's current complaint does not include the federal antitrust claim. As the Tenth Circuit explained in a

1 case Abbott relies upon: “[I]t is appropriate, perhaps even advisable, for a district court to retain  
 2 supplemented state claims after dismissing all federal questions *when the parties have already*  
 3 *expended a great deal of time and energy on the state law claims.*” *Botefuhr*, 309 F.3d at 1272-73  
 4 (emphasis added) (citing *Anglemyer v. Hamilton County Hosp.*, 58 F.3d 533, 541 (10th Cir.  
 5 1995)).

6 Pendent personal jurisdiction is a “federal common law doctrine” that, although not  
 7 authorized by any statute, “traces its origins” to the doctrine of supplemental subject matter  
 8 jurisdiction, now codified at 28 U.S.C. § 1367. *Id.* at 1272-73. Cases regarding supplemental  
 9 subject-matter jurisdiction, though not precisely on point, illustrate the principle that district courts  
 10 have broad discretion to exercise jurisdiction over state claims, even after federal-law claims are  
 11 dismissed. *See Imagineering, Inc. v. Kiewit Pacific Co.*, 976 F.2d 1303, 1309 (9th Cir. 1992),  
 12 *abrogated on other grounds by Diaz v. Gates*, 420 F.3d 897, 900 (9th Cir. 2005) (en banc). In  
 13 considering whether to continue exercising supplemental subject-matter jurisdiction, district courts  
 14 consider factors that “include [judicial] economy, convenience, fairness, and comity.” *Id.* at 1309.  
 15 In this analysis, judicial economy may be the single most important factor. The Ninth Circuit  
 16 “frequently has upheld decisions to retain pendent claims [after dismissal of federal claims] on the  
 17 basis that returning them to state court would be a waste of judicial resources.” *Id.*; *see also*  
 18 *Schneider v. TRW, Inc.*, 938 F.2d 986, 994 (9th Cir. 1991) (listing cases affirming retention of  
 19 jurisdiction on judicial economy grounds where action was pending for less than one year). In  
 20 *Motorola Credit Corp. v. Uzan*, 388 F.3d 39, 56 (2d Cir. 2004), the Second Circuit approved  
 21 supplemental subject-matter jurisdiction over state claims after federal claims were dropped where  
 22 the district court “not only spent considerable time dealing with the legal issues and becoming  
 23 fully conversant with the facts *but also has conducted a trial on the merits.*” *Id.* The Second  
 24 Circuit explained that

25 when the dismissal of the federal claim occurs late in the action,  
 26 after there has been substantial expenditure in time, effort, and  
 27 money in preparing the dependent claims, knocking them down with  
 a belated rejection of supplemental jurisdiction may not be fair. Nor  
 is it by any means necessary.

28 *Id.*

1 The same discretion and analysis extends to the Court’s exercise of pendent personal  
 2 jurisdiction after an “anchor” claim is dismissed. *Cf. Action Embroidery Corp. v. Atl. Embroidery,*  
 3 *Inc.*, 368 F.3d 1174, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (“[W]e leave it to the discretion of [the district] court to  
 4 decide whether to retain or dismiss the pendent state-law claims.”).<sup>6</sup> As in *Uzan*, this Court (and  
 5 the parties) have expended an enormous amount of time and resources adjudicating GSK’s state  
 6 law claims, including a three-week trial and multiple rounds of dispositive motions. 388 F.3d at  
 7 56. Furthermore, this Court has repeatedly affirmed the viability of GSK’s state law (and federal)  
 8 claims. Dismissing them now would be unfair and wasteful. *Albino v. Baca*, 747 F.3d 1162, 1170  
 9 (9th Cir. 2014) (“[P]ersonal jurisdiction, venue, abstention, and exhaustion are all issues of  
 10 ‘judicial administration’ that are appropriately decided early in the proceeding.”).

11 Abbott relies on non-analogous cases where federal anchor claims were dismissed early in  
 12 litigation, before any substantial resources had been expended on the pendent state law claims. *See*  
 13 Dkt. No. 4-5. In *Botefuhr*, 309 F.3d at 1269, jurisdiction was “problematic” from the beginning.  
 14 Critically, the defendant objected to personal jurisdiction even before the federal “anchor” claim  
 15 was dismissed. The *Botefuhr* plaintiff’s pleading strategy was rife with gamesmanship: The IRS  
 16 plaintiff withdrew its anchor claim “within days of the court using it as a basis for asserting  
 17 personal jurisdiction,” and could not identify “any persuasive reason for retaining personal  
 18 jurisdiction” of the pendent claims. *Id.* at 1274; *see also Malone v. Clark Nuber*, No. C07-  
 19 2046RSL, 2008 WL 4279502, at \*1-2 (W.D. Wash. Sept. 12, 2008) (defendant objected to  
 20 jurisdiction before dismissal of anchor claim). Here, by contrast, Abbott never previously raised a  
 21 personal jurisdiction objection, and in fact urged dropping the very antitrust claims that Abbott  
 22 now contends requires dismissal of the entire action.

23 Abbott’s reliance on *Anderson v. Century Products Co.*, 943 F. Supp. 137, 147 n.1 (D.N.H.  
 24 1996), and *D’Addario v. Geller*, 264 F. Supp. 2d 367, 388 (E.D. Va. 2003) is also misplaced. Dkt.

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26 <sup>6</sup> Although Wright and Miller’s civil procedure treatise does not address the precise  
 27 situation here, it implies that a court has discretion to retain jurisdiction over pendent claims after  
 28 the dismissal of the anchor claim, especially if the anchor claim is not dismissed “early in the  
 litigation.” Wright & Miller, 4A Fed. Prac. & Proc. Civ. § 1069.7 (3d ed.) (noting dismissal of  
 pendent claims may be appropriate where anchor claim is dismissed “early in the litigation”).

No. 633 at 4. The *Anderson* court decided to retain pendent personal jurisdiction, but speculated in dictum whether its decision might change if the anchor claim were hypothetically dismissed *and* if defendant had “no meaningful contacts, ties, or relations” with the forum state. 943 F. Supp. at 147 n.1. Contrary to *Anderson*’s hypothetical, Abbott’s contacts are extensive. *D’Addario* likewise exercised pendent personal jurisdiction, but speculated in dictum about the merely hypothetical dismissal of the anchor claim. 264 F. Supp. 2d at 388. Both cases thus support this Court’s exercise of jurisdiction here.

**C. IN THE ALTERNATIVE, THE COURT SHOULD PERMIT  
JURISDICTIONAL DISCOVERY.**

GSK has met its burden to make a “prima facie showing of jurisdictional facts” sufficient to find personal jurisdiction over Abbott. To the extent the Court disagrees, GSK requests an evidentiary hearing and jurisdictional discovery. “[I]t is clear that a court may allow discovery to aid in determining whether it has in personam or subject matter jurisdiction.” *Wells Fargo & Co. v. Wells Fargo Exp. Co.*, 556 F.2d 406, 430 (9th Cir. 1977). Requests for such discovery should ordinarily be granted “where pertinent facts bearing on the question of jurisdiction are controverted ... or where a more satisfactory showing of the facts is necessary.” *Id.*; *see also America West Airlines, Inc. v. GPA Group, Ltd.*, 877 F.2d 793, 801 (9th Cir. 1989). Abbott has never before asserted any jurisdictional objection, and GSK has therefore never pursued discovery into the issue. With an opportunity to conduct such discovery, GSK in good faith believes it can develop prima facie facts supporting general and specific personal jurisdiction.

In the second alternative, the Court should permit GSK to withdraw its Second Amended Complaint and associated motion for leave to amend, and proceed to trial on its First Amended Complaint.

In the third alternative, the Court could transfer this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1631 rather than granting Abbott’s motion to dismiss outright.

1 **V. CONCLUSION**

2 For the foregoing reasons, GSK respectfully requests that the Court deny Abbott's Motion  
3 to Dismiss.

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